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Durham Continues Water Line Repair Work on Ninth Street

Portion of Street to be Closed Weekdays, May 31 - June 3 and June 6 - 10

Motorists, Cyclists & Pedestrians Urged to Use Caution

DURHAM, N.C. — Emergency water line repair work on Ninth Street will resume today, which will require closure of one lane on Ninth Street between Green and Safeway streets beginning May 31. This is a continuation of the work which began on May 19.

The City of Durham Water Management Department contracted with JF Wilkerson, Inc. and anticipated that the project would be completed in one week. However, due to unforeseen subsurface issues, additional time is required to finish the emergency work. The northbound lane will be closed while the contractor is actively on site. If inclement weather prevents significant the work from being completed by June 3, the replacement work will take place the week of June 6-10. Traffic flow from will be returned to normal on weekends.

The work zone will be located at the northern end of the block and traffic control measures will be put in place to allow driveway access. Northbound through-traffic on Ninth Street will be directed through a posted detour. Motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians are urged to use caution in this area or to use another route, if possible.

No disruptions in water service are planned, however customers in this area may notice brown water at their tap immediately after the repair is complete. If this issue occurs customers should run cold water from their bathtub tap until the water runs clear.

For more information and a map showing the emergency work location, visit the department's Web page or contact Project Manager Bryant Green at (919) 560-4381, extension 35268 or by email.

About the City of Durham Water Management Department

The <u>Water Management Department</u> is responsible for the operation and maintenance of Durham's water supply, water treatment and water reclamation (wastewater treatment) facilities, the collection and distribution systems (including meter reading), and customer billing services. The department has a wide variety of support divisions and programs to maintain the existing infrastructure that provide these integral services and strive to be a responsible steward of the City's physical assets. For information, visit the <u>Web page</u>, like on <u>Facebook</u>, and follow on <u>Twitter</u>.

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